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and a Staged Storage Policy

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**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to a non-final second Office Action dated May 12, 2006 issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Application. A response to the May 12, 2006 Office Action is due on August 12, 2006. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Kindly consider the following remarks

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